

# Progress Made in Tonopah Mines During the Past Week

## TONOPAH MINING.

During the past week the Tonopah Mining company shipped to their mill at Millers, 3250 tons of ore. The developments in the property were continued and the results show a marked increase over the work of the preceding week. The workings in the Mizpah were extended 307½ feet, the Silver Top 123 feet and the Red Plume twenty-seven feet, a total of 457½ feet. The Mizpah shaft was sunk twelve feet and it is now down a depth of 1323 feet. No increase has been recorded in the flow of water and the work is progressing smoothly. Sinking in the Red Plume shaft was discontinued for the week owing to the work of cutting out a station at the 500-foot point. This will be finished today when sinking will be resumed. Throughout the mine the work has been continued and no startling or sensational results have been recorded.

240-foot-level, Silver Top—The stope on the Valley View vein west of the shaft is producing the usual amount of good ore and no change is reported in the formation.

340-foot level—On the Silver Top vein east of the shaft the stoping has been continued with no material change. The work to the west of the shaft is the same as usual and no change is reported.

440-foot level—Work is being done west of the shaft on ore that was picked up beyond where the fault cut the ledge. The face shows from three to four feet of milling ore.

540-foot level—The south crosscut from the main east drift was sent ahead the usual number of feet, the face still being in andeolite. The south crosscut from the main west drift is also in andeolite, which is less oxidized than heretofore.

640-foot level—Work has been resumed in the main west drift which is being sent ahead on the ledge but no values have been encountered as yet.

Mizpah, 200-foot level—The north-west drift under the Mizpah fault in the northeasterly workings is being sent ahead on from one to two feet of good milling ore. A north crosscut is being sent out from the main west drift for prospecting purposes, the face showing andeolite. Raising has been started on the easterly section of the ledge cut by the south crosscut from the main west drift.

300-foot level—The south crosscut from the main west drift is being sent ahead to intercept the downward continuation of the South ledge in the easterly workings of the 200-foot level.

400-foot level—The northwest drift under the Mizpah fault in the easterly workings shows spots of good milling ore from time to time

though no great regularity has been encountered in the ore as yet.

500-foot level—Stoping has been started on the ledge underneath the Mizpah fault in the easterly workings of this level, the dyke showing about two feet of good milling ore. In the Red Plume workings corresponding to this level, a crosscut is being driven east to prospect the block of ground beyond the fault, which cut off the ledge.

600-foot level—The north crosscut from the westerly end of the main west drift is being sent ahead to make the connection with the station cut on the 500-foot level of the Red Plume shaft. This crosscut has about twenty feet farther to go before making the connection which will be made some time this coming week. The north crosscut from the easterly end of the main east drift is being sent ahead for prospecting purposes, the face showing up rhyolite.

On the various levels of both the Mizpah and Silver Top workings stoping is being continued with the extraction of the usual amount of good ore.

## MONTANA-TONOPAH.

The Montana mill crushed 961 tons of ore during the week and obtained an extraction of 85.6 per cent. In the mine 145 feet advancement is recorded.

390-foot level—The west drift on the Triangle vein advanced eleven feet and the face shows two and one-half feet of low grade milling ore. The stopes on the vein shows considerable improvement, both as to the dimensions of the ledge and the values. The raise on the Macdonald vein west of the shaft was advanced five feet and shows from four to six feet of low grade ore. The vein is still in a flat position. The stopes on the South vein were worked in the end during the week, the back of which shows the vein to be mixed for six or eight feet and with about four feet of milling ore.

465-foot level—The east drift on the Martha vein advanced twenty feet during the week and has about two feet of low grade ore in the face. The work of cutting out a stope on the South vein west of the crosscut has been completed and is now being timbered. The vein shows an average width of eighteen inches for over a distance of ninety feet. The stope on the Martha vein has four feet of fair milling ore exposed from which the usual good tonnage is extracted. Stoping also continues on the Macdonald vein 1000 feet west of the shaft, the vein averaging from four to five feet of fair grade milling ore.

515-foot level—The west drift on the South vein was extended twenty feet and the face averages two feet of high grade milling ore. The east

drift on the Martha vein advanced twenty-four feet and averages about two and one-half feet of milling ore. The northwest crosscut from the winze on the hanging wall streak of the Martha vein advanced twenty-three feet. This crosscut has encountered the main body of the Martha vein and the face shows about six feet of milling ore. The winze is now being sent to further depth. The stope on the South vein immediately north of the shaft on this level has about three to four feet of sulphide milling ore exposed.

565-foot level—Stoping continues on the south branch of the Martha vein which shows an average of two feet of milling ore.

615-foot level—The stopes on the Macdonald, Martha and A.B.K veins connecting with this level show no material change and are producing their usual amount of milling ore.

On the 765-foot level the main north crosscut was advanced nineteen feet with no change in the formation.

## WEST END.

The shipments from the West End for the week comprised 120 tons which were sent to the Western Ore Purchasing company at Millers. The development work recorded totaled seventy-seven feet.

The stope on the 150-foot level west of the shaft continues to produce its usual amount of good milling ore with no change reported in the dimensions of the ledge.

The west lateral drift on the 200-foot level advanced ten feet and is now out 145 feet from the main drift. The face is in low grade quartz. No. 3 winze, which is being sunk below the Porcupine stope is down sixty-one feet, an advancement of nine feet for the week. The bottom is all in quartz, a portion of which assays well. The stope above this winze shows a good seam of ore from two to four feet in width.

400-foot level—The west drift from the south crosscut advanced nineteen feet and is now out 266 feet. This drift has been following a seam of ore about two feet wide which is of a good grade shipping quality. No. 4 north crosscut, 125 feet south of the station, has been turned into a west lateral drift and was advanced seven feet during the week. The face is all in quartz with good pay ore. No. 7 crosscut, 125 feet east of the shaft, was extended seven feet and is now in a total distance of twenty feet from the main east drift. The face is in low grade quartz. In the west lateral drift from No. 5 south crosscut, 325 feet east of the shaft, the face is all in quartz containing some very good bunches of pay ore. This drift was extended seventeen feet and is now in eighty-four feet. The north-west drift on top of No. 8 upraise,

125 feet west of the shaft, has been connected with No. 9 upraise from the stope. This connection was made by Superintendent Corkill for the purpose of developing the ore bodies found at the top of the upraise.

## MACNAMARA.

During the past week, the stockholders in the MacNamara received their checks for the dividend of 1 cent a share which was declared by the board of directors last month. These dividends will be a regular monthly feature and from the present indications will continue for an indefinite period.

The mine shipped six cars of ore during the week to the Western Ore Purchasing company at Millers. The shaft was sunk twenty-eight feet, keeping up the average of four feet a day which has been maintained since sinking was resumed, and is now down a total distance of 692 feet from the collar.

The ore shipped was extracted from Nos. 4 and 2B stopes on the 275-foot level and from Nos. 10 and 5B stopes on the 200-foot level. These stopes continue to show up strong and the ledges have the same healthy appearance. No. 5B stope on the 200-foot level has made a considerable improvement during the week and the values in the ledge are increasing.

A large amount of development work is under way on both the 200 and 275-foot levels for it has always been the purpose of the management of the property to equalize the work of exploitation and extraction.

## BELMONT.

The work of repairing the head frame and installing the hoist on the Belmont shaft is being done with all haste possible and it will not be long before the shaft is repaired and the work of sinking the churn drill from the bottom of the shaft to the 1000 foot level started. The shaft is down 500 feet and the object of sending the drill down is to afford a better ventilation when the work of sinking commenced. This is also the object of sinking the shaft as it will provide a better source of air for the workings of the Desert Queen shaft which has sent a drift from the 1000-foot level to a point directly underneath the Belmont shaft.

Outside of the usual routine work there is no change to report in the Desert Queen workings and the regular amount of progress is reported.

## MIDWAY.

The usual good progress is being made in the workings of the Midway and sensational developments are now being looked for daily. During the past week the stock quotations of this security have made a material increase and have closed strong at every day's session. The main point of interest is the work being prosecuted on the 635-foot level where a large portion of the virgin ground is being penetrated. The various ledges and veins throughout the mine con-

tinue to show the usual strength, both as to the dimensions and values.

## TONOPAH EXTENSION.

The 400 and 770-foot levels of the Extension continue to be the scene of all operations that are now under way in that mine. On the 770-foot level, the raise from the main north crosscut has reached a point about sixty-five feet above the level. This raise will make connection with a winze from the 600-foot level, and is for the purpose of affording better ventilation. The faces in the different drifts remain the same and retain the usual excellent showing.

## JIM BUTLER.

Following the temporary suspension of work in the Stone Cabin claim of the Jim Butler property, the only work now being done is in the clean-

ing up of the various levels. A small force of men is also employed in the Wandering Boy shaft doing repair work and it is thought that word will be received from the main office of the company in Philadelphia to resume operations on a much larger scale than heretofore.

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